M. S. GURUPADASWAMY) : (a) to (f) A Special Team was constituted to determine the amount recoverable from all the Companies (including M/s. Merind and M/s. Hoechest (I) Limited.) involved in the Supreme Court case. The assessment made by the Team is being scrutinised. In the case of M/s. Glaxo also the recoverable amount is being determined.

(g) The amount received from M/s. Hoechst India Limited. (for all the drugs involved in the Supreme Court case) and M/s. Glaxo India Limited is Rs. 312.10 lakhs and Rs. 819.00 lakhs respectively upto 28th February, 1990.

Shortage of Kerosene oil in Madhya Pradesh

831. SHRI AJIT P.K. JOGI : Will the minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number of consumers had to face grept hard ship during the last few months because of shortage of Kerosene oil in Madhya Pradesh ;

(b) if so, whether Government are contemplating to increase the quota of kerosene for the Madhya Predesh ; and

(c) whether some special arrangement is proposed to be made to ensure that adequate quantity of kerosene are supplied to the remote tribal areas of the State where the hardship is maximum ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY) : (a) to (c) No complaint has been received regarding general shortage of kerosene oil in Madhya Pradesh during the last few months. The uplift-ment of kerosene oil by Madhya Pradesh has been, by and large, in line with the allocation made, as will be seen from the details given below :

(figures in tonnes)

Months	*Total allocation*	upliftment
November, 1989 .	33,620	34,441
December, 1989 .	33.620	33,535
January, 1990 .	33.620	34,450
February, 1990 .	33.620	33,883

The kerosene oil requirements of States and Union Territories, including Madhya Pradesh are assessed by allowing a suitable growth rate over the allocations made in the corresponding period of the previous year, and allocations are made accordingly. Besides the regular allocations, adhoc releases are also given to meet specific situations like floods, drought, acute shortage of LPG, etc. This policy is proposed to be continued.

While the overall allocation of kerosene oil to States/Union Territories is made by the Ministry of Petroleum and Chemicals, is further distribution within the States/Union Territories, district-wise and area-wise, is done by the States/Union Territories authorities themselves. The oil industry on its part regularly monitors the supplies and also maintains effective coordination with the civil supplies authorities at the State as well as local levels to ensure equitable distribution.

RESIGNATION BY MEMBERS

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have to inform Members that I have received letters from Dr. Jagannath Mishra and Shrimati Omem Moyong Deori representing the States of Bihar and Arunachal Pradesh, resigning their seats in Rajya Sabha. I have accepted their resignations with effect from the 16th of March, 1990 and today, the 19th of March, 1990 respectively. (*Interruptions*)

[The Deputy Chairman in the Chair]

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Accounts (1988-89) of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission, Bombay and related Papers.

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): Madam, I lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (4) of Section 23 of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission Act, 1956:

(1) (i) Annual Accounts of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission, Bombay, for the year 1988-89, and the Audit Report thereon.

(ii) Statement by Government accepting the Annual Accounts of the Commission.

(2) Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the reports mentioned at (1) (i) above.

[Placed in Library *See* No. LT 277/90 for (1) and (2)]

I. Reports (1988-89) of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks.

II. Reports (1988-89) on the working and Administration of Companies Act, 1956, New Delal.

III. Accounts (1988-89) of the Coir Board, Ernakulam and related Papers.

IV. Report (1988-89) and Accounts of the Process and Products Development Centre, Agra and related papers.

V. Report (1988-89) and Accounts of National Institute of Small Industry Extension Training, Yousufguda, Hyderabad and related Papers.

SHRI AJIT SINGH: Madam, I also lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:

I. (i) Seventeenth Annual Report of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks, for the year 1988-89, on Patents, under section 155 of the Patents Act, 1970. [Placed in Library, *See* No. L.T. 395/90]

(ii) Thirtieth Annual Report of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks, for the year 1988-89, on the Trade Marks, under section 126 of the Trade and Merchandise Marks Act, 1958. [Placed in Library. *See* L.T. 396/90]

II. Thirty-third Annual Report on the Working and Administration of Companies Act, 1956, New Delhi, for the year 1988-89, under section 638 of the said Act. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 388/90].

III. (a) Annual Accounts of the Coir Board, Ernakulam, for the year 1988-89 and Audit Report thereon, under sub-section (4) of Section 17 of the Coir Industry Act, 1953.

(b) Statement by Government